GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

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PLANTATION OF BAMBOO IN BIHAR
JAGDAMBI PRASAD YADAV

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to formulate a project for plantation of bamboo in the rural and tribal areas of Bihar so as to provide means of livelihood to the rural and tribal people and maintain ecological balance; and

(b) the time by which it is likely to be implemented?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT & FORESTS (SHRI BABU LAL MARANDI)

(a) & (b) Development of Bamboo resource is now a thrust area of the Ministry of Environment and Forests.A project for Bamboo Plantation in Bihar has been sanctioned for two years with an outlay of Rs.102.63 lakhs for treating 1500 ha of degraded forest area in the districts of Dumka and Ranchi. Joint Forest Management is an integral part of the project which ensures sharing of the usufruct with the local population.